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# "AT THE STROKE OF MIDNIGHT!"

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THE LONG, HARROWING DRIVE HAD MADE THE COUPLE EDGY! NOW, AN ICY WIND BLEW ACROSS THE WATER, WHISPERED TO THEM AS THEY BEGAN TO ASCEND THE STEPS CUT INTO THE VERY FACE OF THE BLEAK ROCK!

MARIE WONDERED HOW IT COULD EVER HAVE BEEN BUILT, OR WHY THE WIND HAD NOT TOPPLED IT FROM ITS LOFTY AND FORLORN PERCH!

FROM ITS BASE THE CLIMB SEEMED LIKE AN ETERNITY AS IT WOUND AN ANGULAR PATH EVER UPWARD!

AND, ABOVE THEM, *SHADOW HOUSE* WAITED!

CAN'T CATCH MY BREATH! THOSE STEPS...TOO STEEP, TOO WINDY! WHY'D WE HAVE TO COME SO *LATE?*

GIVE ME THOSE KEYS, FOOL!

*WAIT!* DON'T GO IN! I---I DON'T LIKE IT! *PLEASE,* MARIE!

WE CAN COME BACK...MAYBE TOMORROW! BUT NOT *NOW!* THE HOUSE... IT MAKES ME ---

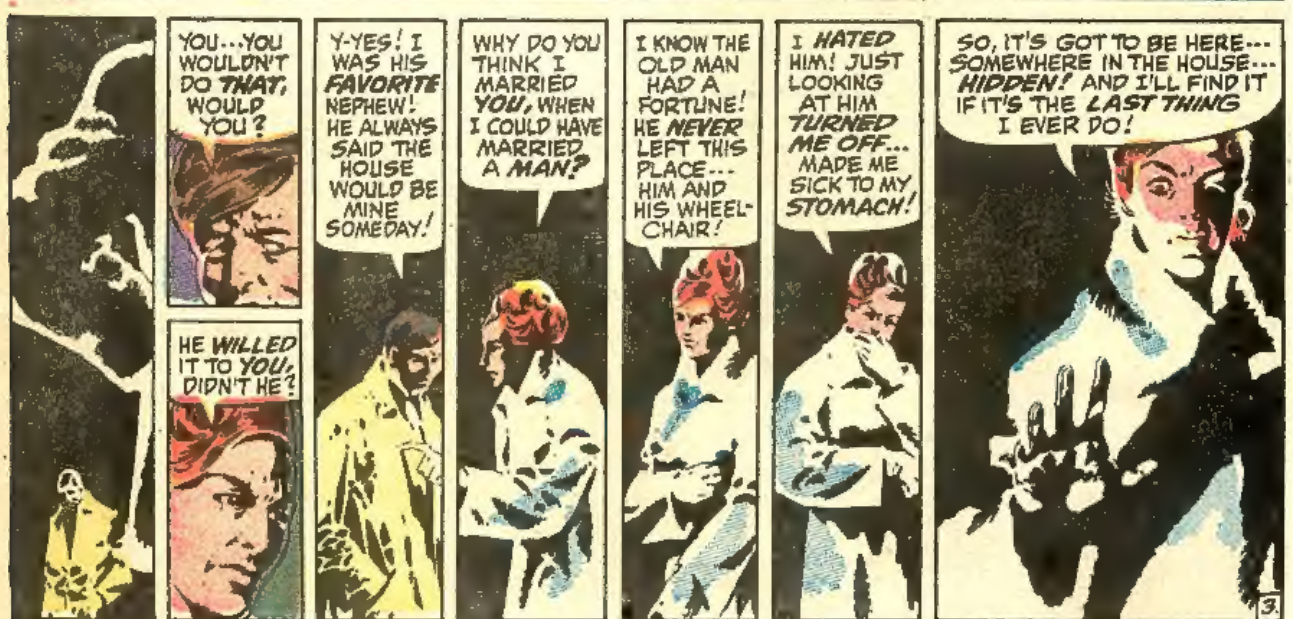
AFRAID!

INSIDE, LOU FOWLER STRUCK A MATCH, BLINKED AS HIS EYES ADJUSTED TO THE GLOOM! YES, IT WAS *EXACTLY* THE SAME AS WHEN HE LAST SAW IT! IT WAS *ALWAYS* THE SAME! A CHILL SWEPT ALONG HIS SPINE UNTIL THE HAIR AT THE BACK OF HIS NECK STOOD UP! THE LIGHT EBBED, CAUSING A FLICKERING PLAY OF SHADOWS THAT MADE THE VERY WALLS SEEM TO COME...*ALIVE! SHADOW HOUSE HAD BEEN APTLY NAMED!*

THE HALL, LIKE ALL THE ROOMS AT SHADOW HOUSE, HARBORED A PROFUSION OF *ANTIQUITIES* THE OLD MAN HAD SPENT A LIFETIME COLLECTING! AN ODD, ALMOST *EERIE,* COLLECTION OF MISCELLANEA FILLED EVERY NOOK AND CRANNY!

JUNK! LOOK AT IT! COLLECTING DUST! IT'LL MAKE A BEAUTIFUL BONFIRE!
BUT, MARIE, THIS WAS HIS WHOLE WORLD! HE SPENT HIS LIFE HERE!
WELL, NOW IT'S OURS! ALL OURS! THE OLD FOOL WAS OUT OF HIS MIND!
DON'T TALK ABOUT HIM LIKE THAT, MARIE! HE ...HE WAS MY UNCLE!
SHUT UP, LOU! WHERE'S THE LIGHTS?
THE LIGHTS...I..I FORGOT TO HAVE THE ELECTRICITY TURNED ON! I...
WHAT?!
LITTLE JERK! YOU MEAN WE'RE STUCK IN THIS MAUSOLEUM WITHOUT LIGHTS? WHY I OUGHTTA--
I'M SORRY! IT'S BEEN SUCH A STRAIN! I.. I GUESS I JUST...

ALL RIGHT, ALL RIGHT! STOP BABBLING, YOU TAME MOUSE! THERE MUST BE A MILLION CANDLES IN THIS DUMP! START LIGHTING THEM... LIGHT EVERY ONE IN THE HOUSE! MAKE THIS CRUMBLING OLD MUSEUM OF HORRORS LOOK LIKE A ROMAN CANDLE! WE'LL NEED A LOTTA LIGHT IF WE'RE GONNA FIND IT!
BUT, THAT...
COULD TAKE..
ALL NIGHT!
WE'LL KEEP LOOKING IF IT TAKES ALL WEEK! HEAR ME! THE OLD MAN KEPT IT SOMEWHERE! WE'LL FIND IT IF WE HAVE TO RIP THE HOUSE DOWN!


YOU...YOU WOULDN'T DO THAT, WOULD YOU?
HE WILLED IT TO YOU, DIDN'T HE?
Y-YES! I WAS HIS FAVORITE NEPHEW! HE ALWAYS SAID THE HOUSE WOULD BE MINE SOMEDAY!
WHY DO YOU THINK I MARRIED YOU, WHEN I COULD HAVE MARRIED A MAN?
I KNOW THE OLD MAN HAD A FORTUNE! HE NEVER LEFT THIS PLACE... HIM AND HIS WHEEL-CHAIR!
I HATED HIM! JUST LOOKING AT HIM TURNED ME OFF... MADE ME SICK TO MY STOMACH!
SO, IT'S GOT TO BE HERE... SOMEWHERE IN THE HOUSE... HIDDEN! AND I'LL FIND IT IF IT'S THE LAST THING I EVER DO!
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THEN, THEY BEGAN TO SEARCH! MARIE PLUNGED INTO EVERY DARK CORNER, DRIVEN BY HER PASSION FOR WEALTH!

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HE REMEMBERED HOW THE HOUSE HAD TERRIFIED HIM AS A *BOY!* THE WEEK HIS MOTHER WAS SICK, HE HAD COME TO STAY WITH HIS UNCLE!

HE HAD LAIN AWAKE NIGHTS, HEARING STRANGE *SOUNDS,* SPENT DAYS WANDERING ABOUT THE DREARY HALLWAYS FLANKED BY LOCKED ROOMS!

NOW, HE WAS *NOT ANXIOUS* TO DISCOVER THE SECRETS OF SHADOW HOUSE!

HE HADN'T LIKED THE PLAN, BUT HE HAD *AGREED* WITH MARIE! *DIDN'T HE ALWAYS!* THE MONEY WOULD BUY HER THINGS, MAKE HER HAPPY, MAKE HER LOVE HIM MORE! YES, HE HAD TO FIND IT!

HE MANAGED AN APPROVING SMILE TO BOLSTER HIS CONFIDENCE... AND MOUNTED THE WAITING STAIRWAY...

A DOZEN HEARTBEATS LATER, HE BEGAN TO *SHRIEK*...

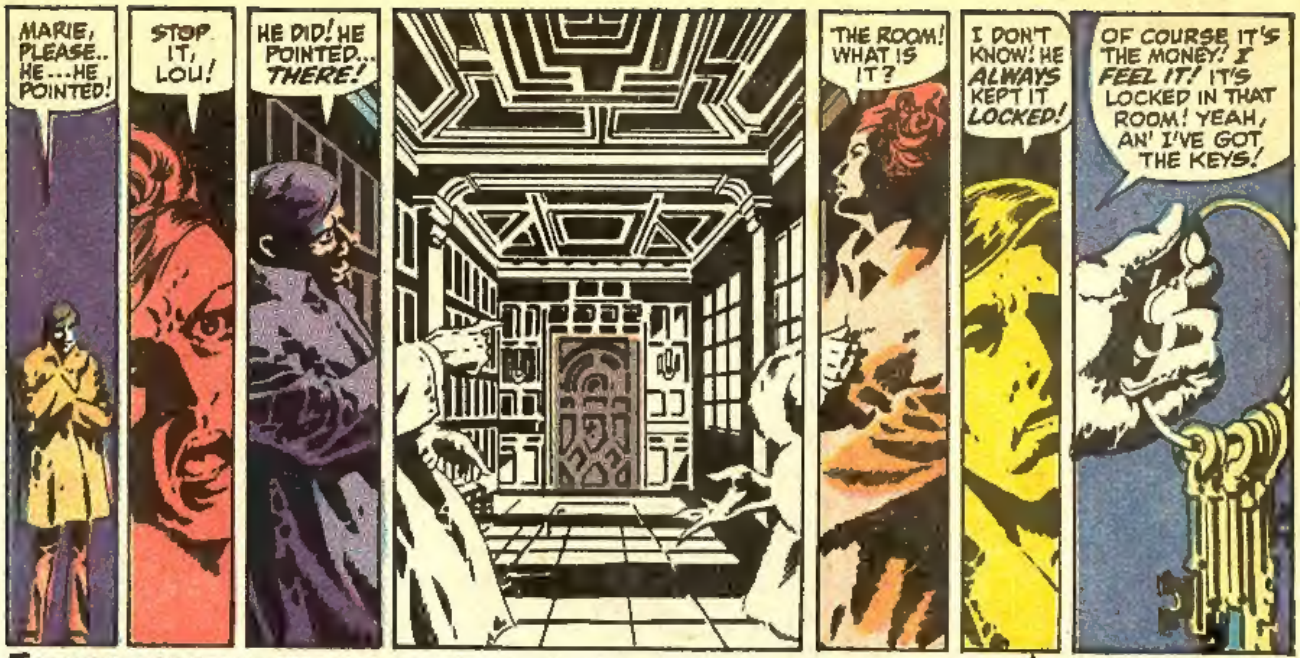
LOU, WHAT IS IT?

IT...IT'S *HIM!* I SAW HIM, *UNCLE!*

IT'S ONLY HIS *PORTAIT,* YOU SPINELESS WORM! LOOK AT HIM ...SENILE, OLD UGLY!

*IT MOVED!* I SAW IT MOVE! IS IT MY NERVES?

*HA!!* CONSCIENCE... GUILTY CONSCIENCE!


MARIE, PLEASE.. HE...HE POINTED!
STOP IT, LOU!
HE DID! HE POINTED.. THERE!
THE ROOM! WHAT IS IT?
I DON'T KNOW! HE ALWAYS KEPT IT LOCKED!
OF COURSE IT'S THE MONEY! I FEEL IT! IT'S LOCKED IN THAT ROOM! YEAH, AN' I'VE GOT THE KEYS!

THE HEAVY OAK DOOR SCREECHED OPEN AND A MUSTY SMELL ASSAULTED THEM AS THEY THRUST THE CANDELABRA INSIDE!

BOOKS! MORE BOOKS!
MARIE, LOOK! HE STUDIED... WITCH-CRAFT! LOOK AT THIS ONE...ABOUT FINDING A PATH... THRU TIME ITSELF!
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SATAN IN THE 15TH CENTURY
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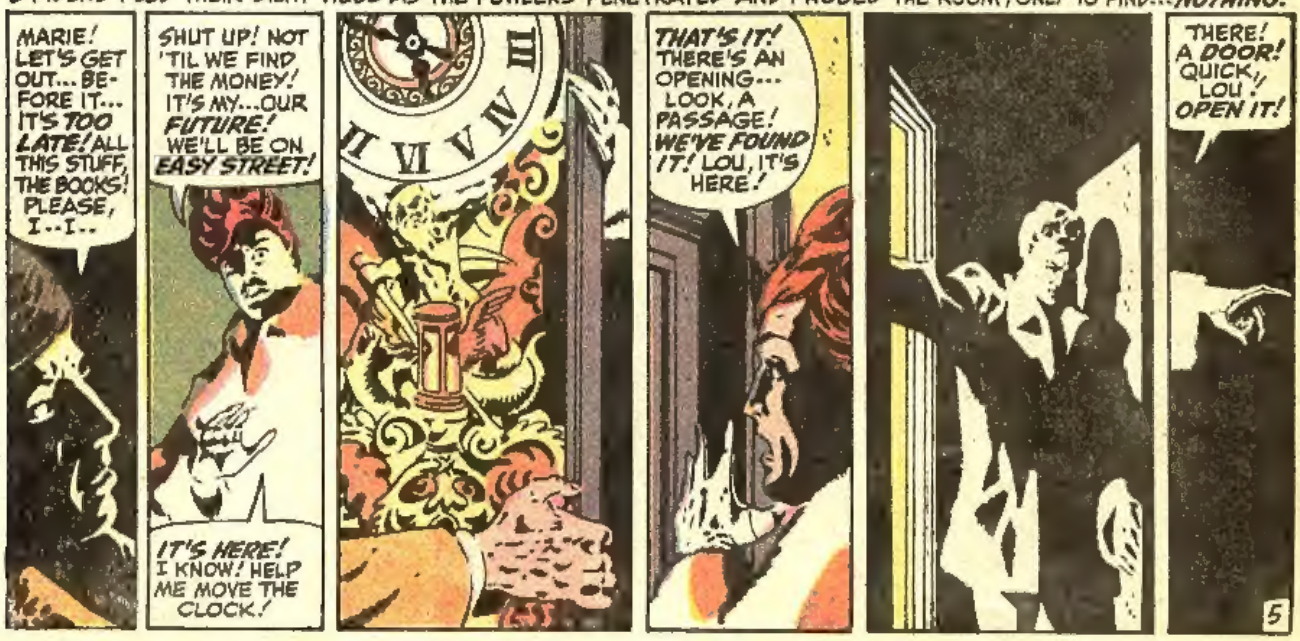
SPIDERS FLED THEIR SILKY WEBS AS THE FOWLERS PENETRATED AND PROBED THE ROOM, ONLY TO FIND... NOTHING!


MARIE! LET'S GET OUT... BE-FORE IT... IT'S TOO LATE! ALL THIS STUFF, THE BOOKS! PLEASE, I--I--
SHUT UP! NOT 'TIL WE FIND THE MONEY! IT'S MY...OUR FUTURE! WE'LL BE ON EASY STREET!
IT'S HERE! I KNOW! HELP ME MOVE THE CLOCK!
THAT'S IT! THERE'S AN OPENING... LOOK, A PASSAGE! WE'VE FOUND IT! LOU, IT'S HERE!
THERE! A DOOR! QUICK,! LOU, OPEN IT!

IT'S NO USE, MARIE! IT MUST BE JAMMED! OR... LOOK! THERE'S NO KEYHOLE!
MOVE OVER, WEAKLING! OOOWWH! I CUT MY HAND!
LET ME SEE!
IT'S JUST A SCRATCH!
THEN, ALL BY ITSELF, THE DOOR BEGAN TO OPEN ...FIRST, JUST A FRACTION, THEN, IT CREAKED WIDER...
NO! I WON'T GO IN!! I WON'T! HE WANTS ME TO! BUT--BUT... I WON'T!
SHUT UP! SHUT UP! HE CAN'T DO ANYTHING! HE'S DEAD... BURIED!
GET HOLD OF YOURSELF! HOW YOU EVER HAD THE BACK-BONE TO GIVE HIM A SHOVE...
..AND PUSH HIM OFF THE CLIFF, I'LL NEVER KNOW!
WE'RE GOING INSIDE! IT'S THE COLD AIR THAT'S BUGGING YOU!
YES, YOU'RE RIGHT! ONLY THE COLD AND MY NERVES! MUST BE BECAUSE IT'S ONLY A FEW SECONDS TILL ...MIDNIGHT!
WITHOUT ANOTHER WORD, MARIE FORCED LOU ACROSS THE BECKONING DOOR'S THRESHOLD... SHE SAW IT FIRST!
HERE IT IS!!
LOOK AT IT! IT'S ALL OURS! WE'RE RICH, LOU! WE'RE MILLIONAIRES! FILTHY RICH!!! IT'S ALL HERE... LIKE I TOLD YOU!
JEWELS! GOLD! DIAMONDS! IT'S A FORTUNE! A TREASURE! A KING'S RANSOM! LOOK AT ME... I'M A QUEEN!
DO YOU SEE! A QUEEN! WE'LL BE LIVING LIKE ROYALTY! LIKE A KING AND A QUEEN! WHY DON'T YOU SAY SOMETHING?
THAT PATH UNCLE WAS SEEKING... THAT PATHWAY TO THE PAST...
HE FOUND IT! HE FOUND IT!!
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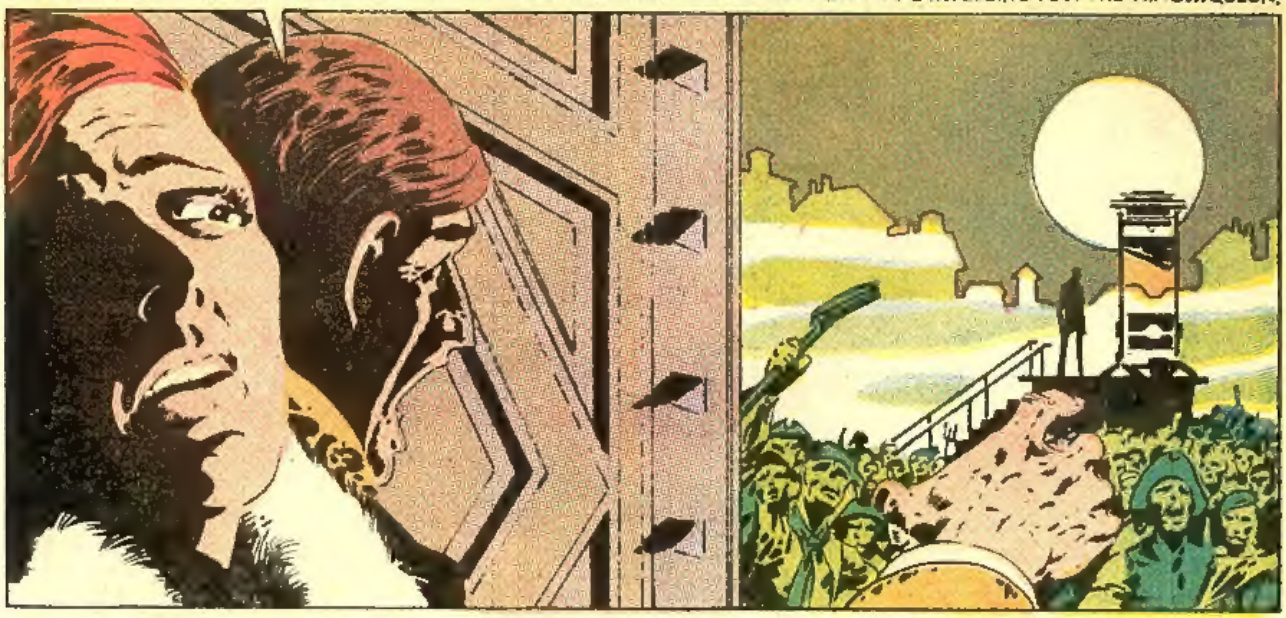
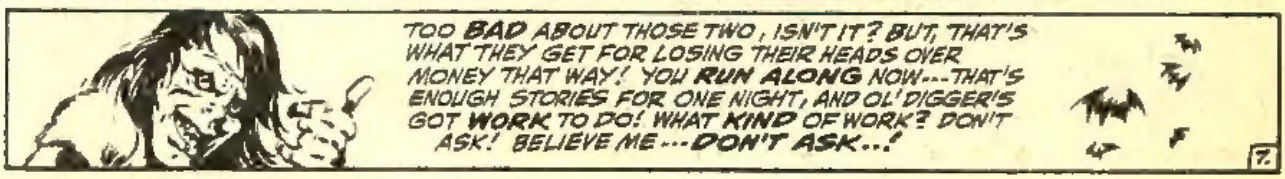
BUT IT LEADS TO--THE 18TH CENTURY--THE FRENCH REVOLUTION--PEOPLE LOOKING AT US...YELLING FOR THE KING...QUEEN!



NO ONE EVER HEARD OF THE FOWLERS AGAIN! THE CANDLES THAT LIT THE STRANGE GOTHIC HALLWAYS HAVE LONG SINCE BURNT OUT! NOW, ONLY THE SOUND OF THE SEA CAN BE HEARD! SHADOW HOUSE IS DARK ONCE MORE!


TOO BAD ABOUT THOSE TWO, ISN'T IT? BUT, THAT'S WHAT THEY GET FOR LOSING THEIR HEADS OVER MONEY THAT WAY! YOU RUN ALONG NOW---THAT'S ENOUGH STORIES FOR ONE NIGHT, AND OL' DIGGER'S GOT WORK TO DO! WHAT KIND OF WORK? DON'T ASK! BELIEVE ME---DON'T ASK...!

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AND, WHILE I WAS WAITING, I DUG UP A LITTLE STORY, TO ENTERTAIN YOU! YOU WILL STAY AND LISTEN TO IT, WON'T YOU?
AFTER ALL, IT'S SO SELDOM THAT I GET ANY VISITORS HERE! LOTS OF PERMANENT RESIDENTS...BUT NO VISITORS!
SO, JUST SETTLE BACK ON THAT SARCOPHAGUS THERE AND RELAX...AND I'LL TELL YOU A RATHER AMUSING TALE I HEARD THE OTHER DAY FROM A TRAVELING TOMBSTONE SALESMAN...
I CALL THIS LITTLE JEWEL--
FROM BEYOND THE BRINK!
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LETTERER

YOU'RE LATE, ARTHUR WATSON... AND SO, YOU JAM YOUR SECOND-HAND CHEVY INTO HIGH GEAR, AND ANGRILY SPEED THRU THE ALL-BUT-DESERTED CITY STREETS! IT'S RAINING --AND, AS IF YOU DIDN'T HAVE ENOUGH PROBLEMS, YOUR LOVELY YOUNG WIFE ONLY MOMENTS AGO PRESENTED YOU WITH ANOTHER....!
FOR CRYIN' OUT LOUD-- A BABY!
AT A TIME LIKE THIS, SHE'S GONNA HAVE A BABY!!
WHAT A SENSE OF TIMING!
A DOZEN CREDITORS ON MY BACK ALREADY ...NOW THIS!
THANK THE LORD THAT JANIE DOESN'T KNOW HOW WORRIED I AM...
...BUT WHAT THE DEVIL AM I GONNA DO?
I'LL JUST HAVE TO FINISH WRITING MY BOOK SOONER AND FASTER THAN I PLANNED, THAT'S ALL!
I'VE GOT ALMOST EVERYTHING I NEED TO COMPLETE IT NOW-- EXCEPT THE ONE THING I NEED MOST!
THE REASON WHY!
WHY DOES HATHAWAY DO IT??
"WHY DOES HATHAWAY DO IT?"--THAT ONE THOUGHT'S BEEN PLAGUING YOU FOR MONTHS, HASN'T IT, ARTHUR WATSON... EVER SINCE YOU MET HAYDEN HATHAWAY AND BEGAN WRITING MY BIOGRAPHY OF HIS STARTLING CAREER....!
THEN, MR. HATHAWAY, YOU BELIEVE ALL SEANCES ARE-- FIXED?!
I KNOW THEY ARE!
IN MOST CASES, THE "SPIRITS" THAT ARE "CONTACTED" ARE MERELY PROJECTED ON A FILM SCREEN TO GIVE A GHOSTLY EFFECT!
FROM THE FIRST, ARTHUR, YOU STOOD IN AWE OF HAYDEN HATHAWAY... ...WHO, AS A MEMBER OF THE FAMED SPIRITUAL RESEARCH SOCIETY, HAD EARNED AN AMAZING RECORD AS A DEBUNKER OF FAKE SPIRITUALISTS...!
AHHH... HERE IT IS...
THE HIDDEN WIRE THAT OPENS AND CLOSES YOUR SECRET PANEL!
HATHAWAY'S-- INCREDIBLE!
GET OUT OF HERE--BOTH OF YOU!
CAN'T YOU LET A GUY MAKE A LIVING??
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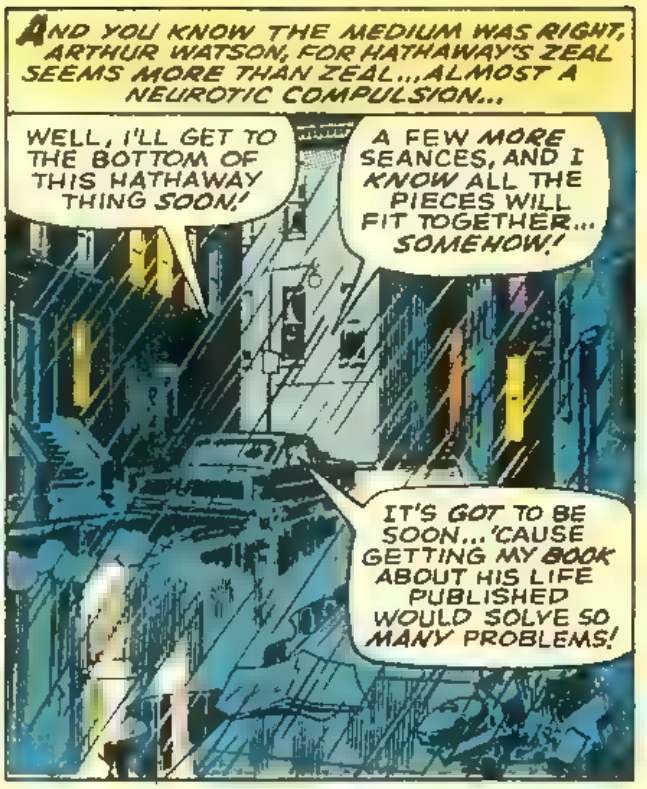
YES, HATHAWAY'S ABILITY TO EXPOSE A MEDIUM'S METHOD OF FAKERY HAD BEEN ASTOUNDING... HIS RECORD UNBLEMISHED BY FAILURE, AND HIS ZEAL EXTRAORDINARY...
YOU'RE A PHONY, FRIEND, AND I CAN PROVE IT!
WHAT'S MORE, I WILL--IF YOU'RE NOT OUT OF TOWN IN PRECISELY ONE HOUR!
ALL RIGHT, YOU WIN--BUT I DON'T KNOW WHY YOU BOTHER SAVIN' PEOPLE'S MONEY FOR 'EM.'


AND YOU KNOW THE MEDIUM WAS RIGHT, ARTHUR WATSON, FOR HATHAWAY'S ZEAL SEEMS MORE THAN ZEAL... ALMOST A NEUROTIC COMPULSION...
WELL, I'LL GET TO THE BOTTOM OF THIS HATHAWAY THING SOON!
A FEW MORE SEANCES, AND I KNOW ALL THE PIECES WILL FIT TOGETHER... SOMEHOW!
IT'S GOT TO BE SOON... 'CAUSE GETTING MY BOOK ABOUT HIS LIFE PUBLISHED WOULD SOLVE SO MANY PROBLEMS!

YOU PARK THE CAR AND SHUT THE IGNITION... FOR A LONG MOMENT YOU SIT, QUIETLY SURVEYING THE DREARY BUILDING WHICH IS YOUR DESTINATION THIS NIGHT OF NIGHTS...
THAT'S THE RIGHT ADDRESS, ALL RIGHT... BRRRRR...!
MUST BE THIS BLASTED RAIN... IT MAKES EVERYTHING LOOK... SPOOKY...!

A GLANCE AT YOUR WATCH TELLS YOU TO HURRY... IT'S NEARLY ELEVEN! SO YOU LEAVE THE CAR, AND AWKWARDLY DESCEND THE STEPS TO THE CELLAR APARTMENT...!

YOU'VE MET MANY SPIRITUALISTS, ARTHUR WATSON, SINCE HATHAWAY AGREED TO LET YOU COVER HIS CAREER... BUT NONE QUITE LIKE THE BREATHTAKING BEAUTY WHO OPENS THE DOOR...!
I'M... ARTHUR WATSON!
I'M TO MEET MR. HATHAWAY...!
I KNOW... COME IN!
MR. HATHAWAY HAS JUST ARRIVED!
WE HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR YOU!
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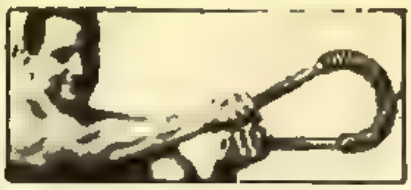

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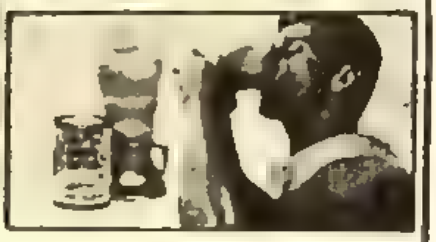

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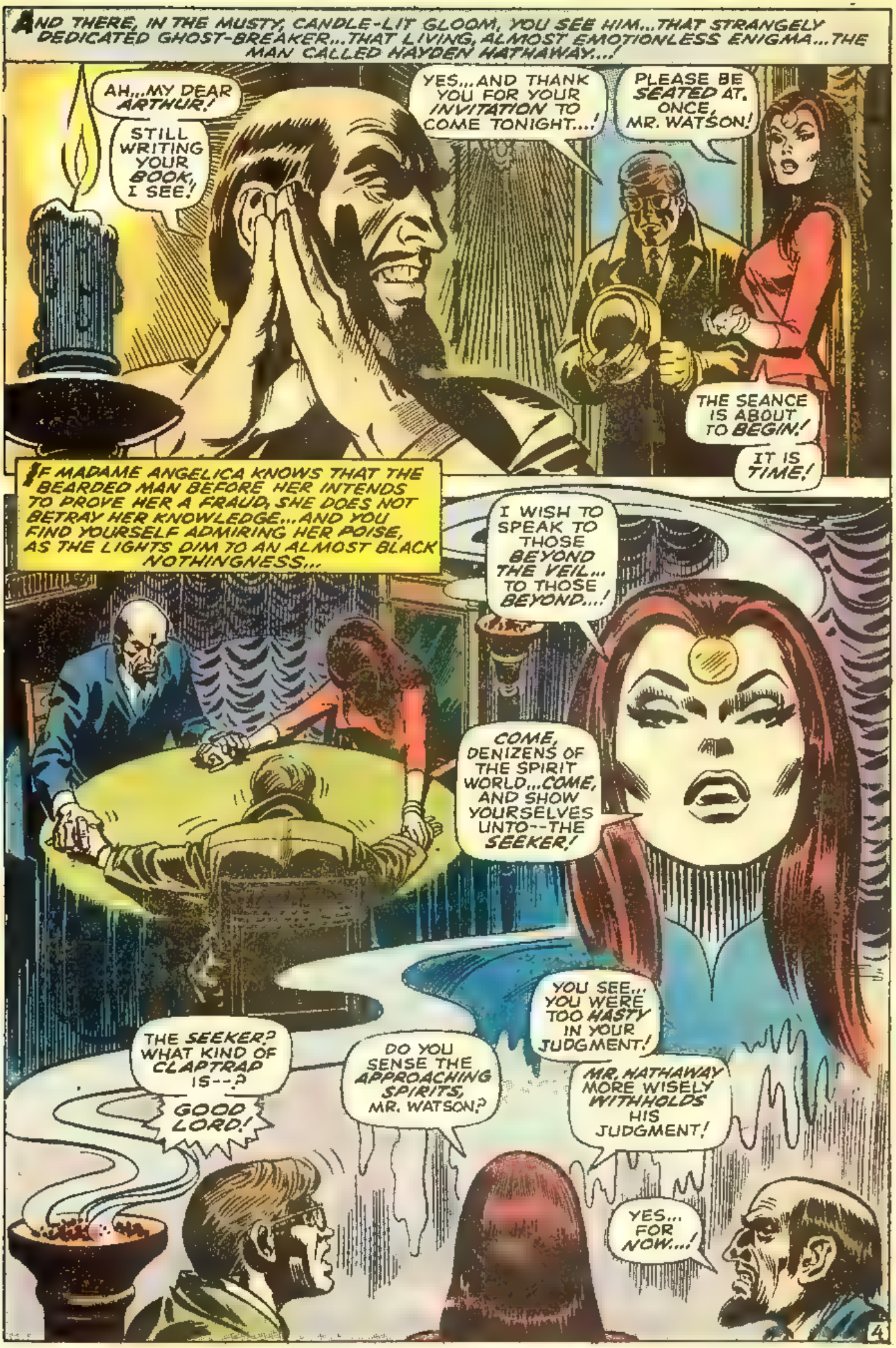
AND THERE, IN THE MUSTY, CANDLE-LIT GLOOM, YOU SEE HIM...THAT STRANGELY DEDICATED GHOST-BREAKER...THAT LIVING, ALMOST EMOTIONLESS ENIGMA...THE MAN CALLED HAYDEN HATHAWAY...!
AH...MY DEAR ARTHUR!
STILL WRITING YOUR BOOK, I SEE!
YES...AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR INVITATION TO COME TONIGHT...!
PLEASE BE SEATED AT ONCE, MR. WATSON!
THE SEANCE IS ABOUT TO BEGIN!
IT IS TIME!
IF MADAME ANGELICA KNOWS THAT THE BEARDED MAN BEFORE HER INTENDS TO PROVE HER A FRAUD, SHE DOES NOT BETRAY HER KNOWLEDGE...AND YOU FIND YOURSELF ADMIRING HER POISE, AS THE LIGHTS DIM TO AN ALMOST BLACK NOTHINGNESS...
I WISH TO SPEAK TO THOSE BEYOND THE VEIL... TO THOSE BEYOND...!
COME, DENIZENS OF THE SPIRIT WORLD...COME, AND SHOW YOURSELVES UNTO--THE SEEKER!
YOU SEE... YOU WERE TOO HASTY IN YOUR JUDGMENT!
MR. HATHAWAY MORE WISELY WITHHOLDS HIS JUDGMENT!
YES... FOR NOW...!
THE SEEKER? WHAT KIND OF CLAPTRAP IS--?
GOOD LORD!
DO YOU SENSE THE APPROACHING SPIRITS, MR. WATSON?
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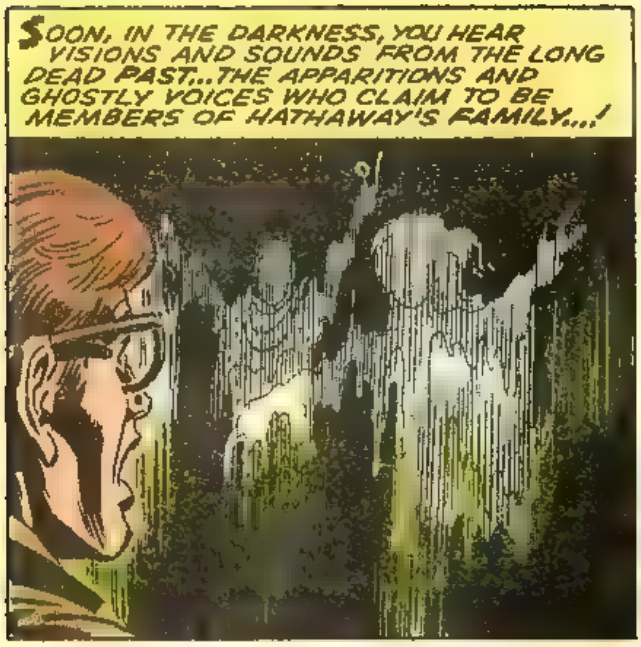
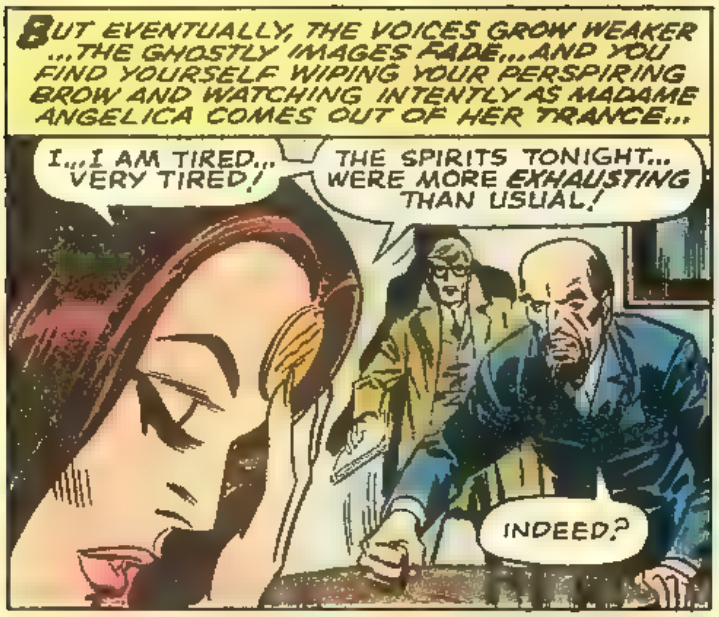

SOON, IN THE DARKNESS, YOU HEAR VISIONS AND SOUNDS FROM THE LONG DEAD PAST...THE APPARITIONS AND GHOSTLY VOICES WHO CLAIM TO BE MEMBERS OF HATHAWAY'S FAMILY...!

FOR WHAT SEEMS AN ETERNITY, YOU SIT WATCHING AND LISTENING, AS VISIONS APPEAR AND DISAPPEAR...AS SPIRIT AFTER SPIRIT ECHOES EERIE SOUNDS AND MESSAGES TO HAYDEN HATHAWAY ...AND YOU ARE IMPRESSED!


BUT EVENTUALLY, THE VOICES GROW WEAKER ...THE GHOSTLY IMAGES FADE...AND YOU FIND YOURSELF WIPING YOUR PERSPIRING BROW AND WATCHING INTENTLY AS MADAME ANGELICA COMES OUT OF HER TRANCE...
I...I AM TIRED... VERY TIRED!
THE SPIRITS TONIGHT... WERE MORE EXHAUSTING THAN USUAL!
INDEED?

WELL, I MUST SAY THAT YOUR PERFORMANCE WAS CERTAINLY ONE OF THE BEST I'VE EVER ENCOUNTERED!
BUT YOU HAVEN'T DECEIVED ME FOR A MOMENT!
AND, TO PROVE IT, I'M GOING TO REVEAL ALL YOUR TRICKS... ALL YOUR WIRES AND GADGETS AND TAPE-RECORDERS...

...AND I'LL BEGIN BY FINDING ALL THE SECRET BUTTONS AND WIRING ON YOUR CHAIR BY WHICH YOU CONTROL...
HMPF!... VERY CLEVER! THERE AREN'T ANY SECRET BUTTONS OR CONNECTING WIRES...BUT STILL--!

HAYDEN HATHAWAY MOVES TO THE FAR WALL TO EXPOSE THE MOVIE PROJECTOR HIDDEN BEHIND THE DRAPERIES ...BUT HE FINDS ONLY A BLANK WALL!
HA! VERY GOOD! THE PROJECTOR IS HIDDEN BY A SLIDING WALL PANEL!
WELL, THIS CROWBAR WILL MAKE SHORT WORK OF IT!

BUT, WHEN THE PANELLING AND WALL HAVE BEEN BARED, THERE IS STILL-- NOTHING! HATHAWAY BEGINS TEARING DOWN THE DRAPES...
GET OUT OF THE WAY, YOU! IT'S ONLY A MATTER OF TIME...
R-RIP!
ONLY A MATTER OF TIME TILL I FIND ONE CLUE... ONE LEAD!
AND, WHEN THE DRAPES ARE DOWN, HE ATTACKS THE WALLS, POUNDING TESTING, TEARING, CRUMBLING...
AND THEN THE CEILING AND THE FLOORBOARDS AND THE FURNITURE ARE TORN AND STRIPPED, EXAMINED AND REEXAMINED IN HATHAWAY'S NOW FRANTIC SEARCH FOR SOMETHING... ANYTHING...! HIS CROWBAR AND HAMMER PLUNDER AND SHATTER EVERY CONCEIVABLE OBJECT IN THE ROOM....!
...UNTIL, AT LAST, EXHAUSTED AND SPENT, AMID THE CLUTTER AND RUBBLE, HE STANDS FACING MADAME ANGELICA...AND YOU BEGIN TO SUSPECT THAT HATHAWAY HAS FINALLY MET A SPIRITUALIST WHO IS TOO CLEVER FOR HIM... AND THAT HIS STRING OF VICTORIES IS ABOUT TO BE BROKEN....!
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BUT, TO YOUR SURPRISE, HAYDEN HATHAWAY APPEARS TO BE ALMOST PLEASED AT THE PROSPECT OF DEFEAT...!
YOU KNOW, DON'T YOU? YOU KNOW EVERYTHING!
YOU KNOW WHY I HAVE MADE A CAREER OF EXPOSING FALSE MEDIUMS, PHONY SPIRITUALISTS!
YES... I KNOW!
THE SPIRITS HAVE TOLD ME! LONG AGO HAVE THEY TOLD ME!
YOU HAVE BEEN SEARCHING ...SEARCHING FOR A TRUE MEDIUM! SEARCHING FOR SOMEONE WHO COULD TRULY COMMUNICATE WITH THE DEAD... SEARCHING...
...FOR SOMEONE WHO CAN PASS THROUGH THE DOORWAY TO THE WORLD BEYOND... AND WHO CAN BRING OTHERS THROUGH THAT DOORWAY...!
SEARCHING...BECAUSE HAYDEN HATHAWAY DIED MANY YEARS AGO... AND YOU, HIS SPIRIT, HAVE BEEN ROAMING THE EARTH, RESTLESSLY SEEKING THAT DOORWAY... AND PEACE!
YES... YES!
HUDDLED TENSELY IN THE DARK SHADOWS, YOU STARE UNBELIEVING... AS MADAME ANGELICA TAKES HATHAWAY'S ARM AND LEADS HIM INTO THE DARKNESS...
COME WITH ME, HAYDEN HATHAWAY! I AM THE DOORWAY YOU SEEK! YOUR FAMILY IS WAITING...
GREAT SC...SCOTT! THEY'RE DISAPPEARING! --INTO NOWHERE!
NOW, ARTHUR WATSON, YOU SLUMP AGAINST THE SHATTERED WALL, YOUR BODY QUAKING, YOUR HAIR WHITENED BY SHOCK... SOBBING... MUMBLING SOUNDS LOST DEEP IN YOUR THROAT...
AND, AT YOUR FEET ARE STREWN THE CRUMPLED PAGES OF A MANUSCRIPT THAT CAN NEVER BE WRITTEN... FOR WHO WOULD BELIEVE? WHO WOULD BELIEVE?
WELL, THAT'S THE TAIL-END OF MY LITTLE TALE ...BUT, AS THEY SAY IN THE MOVIES, I'LL BE SEANCE YOU!
TILL THEN-- PLEASANT DREAMS, YOU PALE-LOOKING PILGRIM, YOU!

WELL, WELL, HOW LUCKY CAN YOU BE! I JUST DUG UP THE MOST AMUSING LITTLE EPISODE SINCE THE CHEERY DAYS OF THE BLACK PLAGUE! IT'S ALL ABOUT A LOVEABLE LITTLE SOUL WHO WANTS TO LIVE FOREVER... AND HIS ADORABLE ASSISTANT... WHO HAS DIFFERENT PLANS FOR HIM!
NO WONDER I CALL IT...
A TIME TO DIE!
YOUR NAME IS ARTHUR ...AND YOU'VE HATED OLD SEBASTIAN SCROGG FOR YEARS... BUT NEVER MORE THAN YOU DO RIGHT NOW...!
CAREFUL, ARTHUR! DON'T DROP THIS, YOU INCOMPETENT FOOL!
A TRULY TENDER TALE, TOUCHINGLY TOLD TO YOU BY:
STAN LEE AND JOHN BUSCEMA
INKING: DON HECK
LETTERING: SAM ROSEN

I'VE LABORED FOR YEARS TO PERFECT A SERUM THAT WILL ALLOW ME TO LIVE FOREVER!
IT MUST NOT BE RUINED BY THE CLUMSINESS OF A WITLESS ASSISTANT!
EASY! EASY! DON'T POUR TOO MUCH, YOU BRAINLESS CLOD!
IT'S NO GOOD! I'VE FAILED AGAIN! IT SHOULD HAVE CHANGED COLOR... BUT IT DIDN'T! IT DIDN'T!
DON'T STAND THERE GLOATING, YOU SCHEMING SIMPLETON! I KNOW WHAT YOU'RE THINKING!
YOU EXPECT ME TO DIE BEFORE I CAN FIND THE SECRET OF ETERNAL LIFE! AND THEN YOU PLAN TO STEAL MY WEALTH... MY SCIENTIFIC TREASURES!
BUT YOU WON'T, DO YOU HEAR ME? I'LL FIND THE FORMULA YET!
I'M TOO RICH... TOO BRILLIANT TO DIE!
I KNOW THERE'S A POTION FOR IMMORTALITY... AND I'LL FIND IT! I'LL FIND IT! I'LL FIND IT!
NOW CLEAN UP THE MESS, YOU TOADY!
THEN FOLLOW ME UPSTAIRS AND PREPARE MY DINNER! TOMORROW I START AGAIN!
IT WOULD BE SO EASY TO FINISH HIM NOW... BUT YOU KNOW YOU MUST WAIT, DON'T YOU, ARTHUR?
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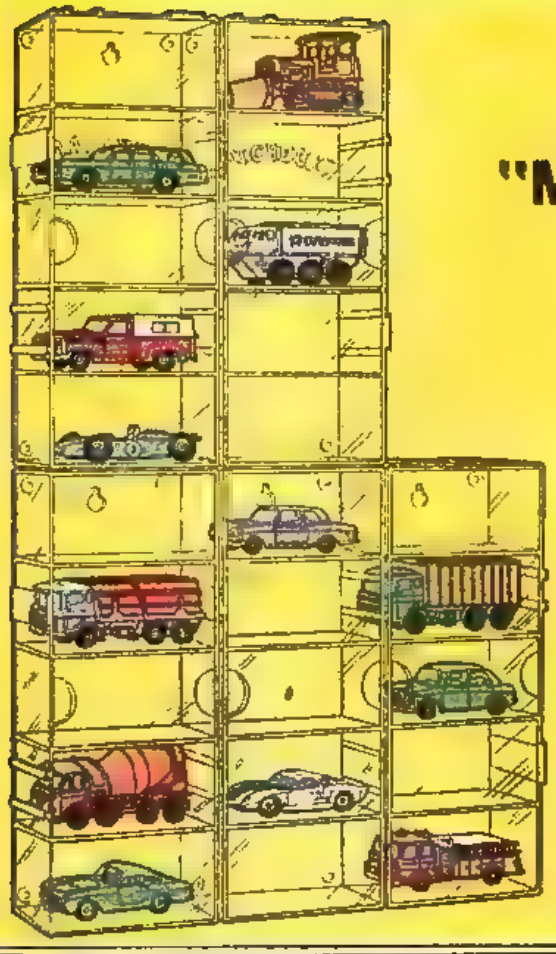

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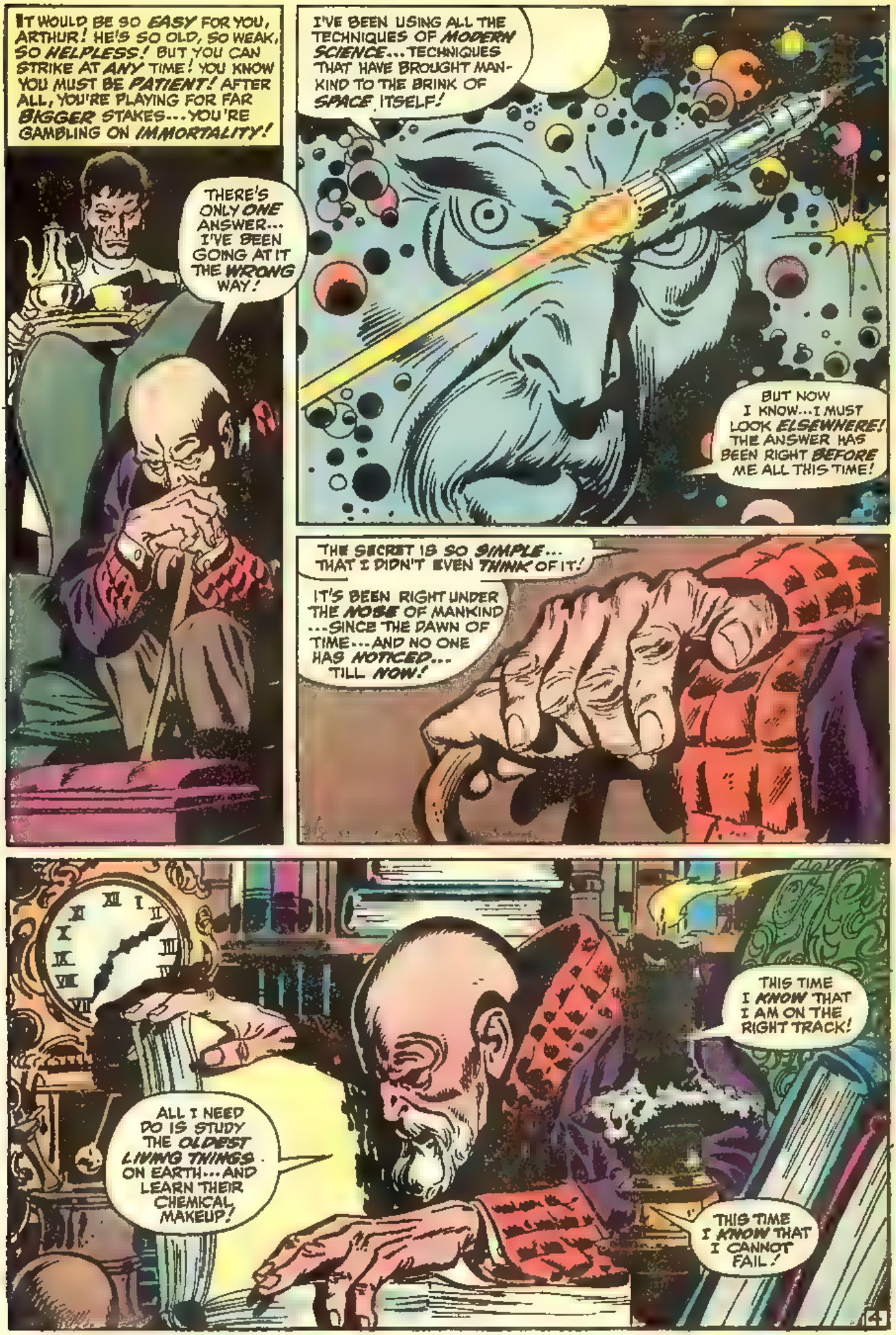
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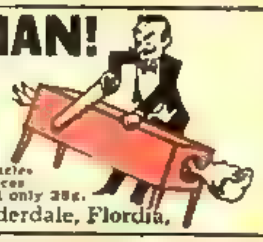

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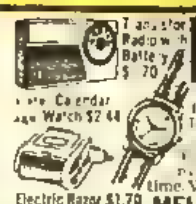

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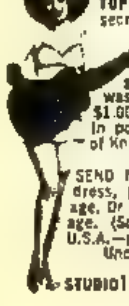

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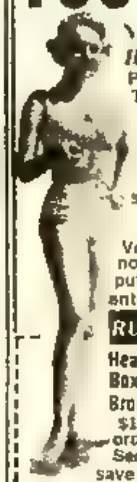

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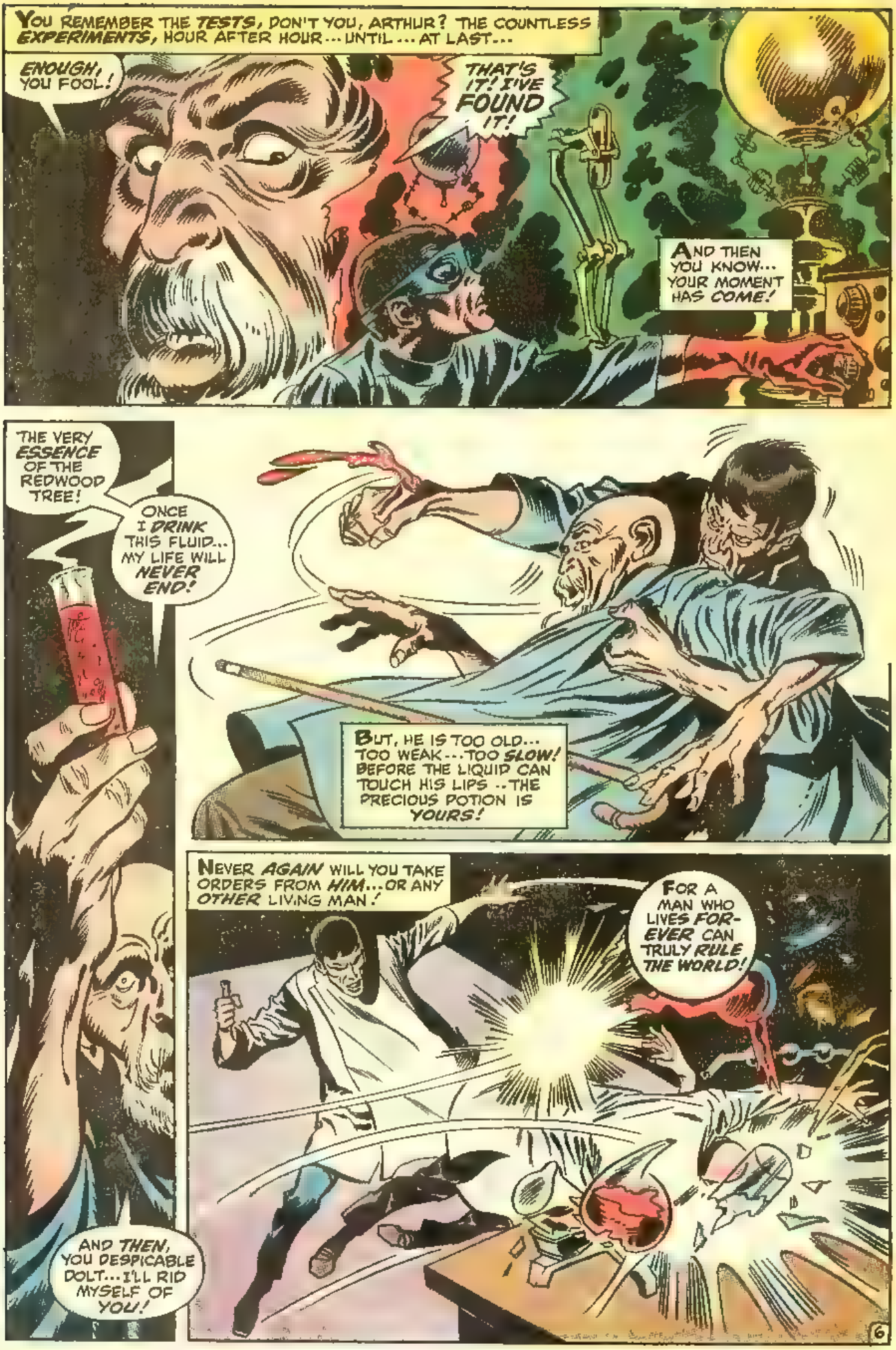
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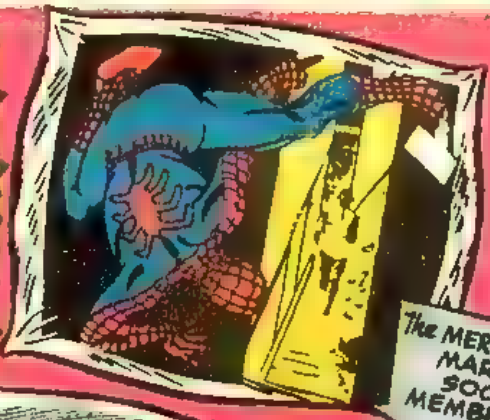

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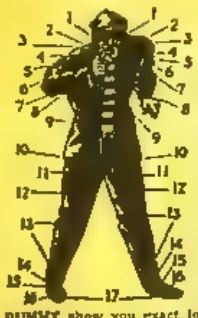

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ITEM! Have you been wondering what's happened to Jaunty JIM STERANKO? Well, the news is finally out. Starting this month, you'll see him represented in Marvel's newest and most off-beat suspense mags — TOWER OF SHADOWS and CHAMBER OF DARKNESS! Those of you who are dyed in the wool fans of ghost stories, witchcraft, and tales of the macabre (and who isn't?) are gonna have a real field day with these groovy grotesqueries — and wait' you see who some of the other artists are!

ITEM! We know you've been hangin' by your thumbs waiting to learn the names of our two new romance mags also! (Think of the bread you'll save buying THESE for your gal friends instead of diamonds and Ro is Royces!) The titles are MY LOVE and OUR LOVE STORY. (Kinda grabs you, huh?) . . . and, if you think Ring A-Ding ROMITA and Big JOHN BUSCEMA are unbeatable at superhero stuff, you'll blow your cerebelums when you see the way they handle these tintinnabulatin' tear-jerkers! (Know something? With our nutty luck, they'll probably become runaway best-sellers and we'll be stuck doing 'em forever! Oh well — it's better than working!)

ITEM! Here's a belated "Thank-u" to Blushin' BILL RYAN, an old fan of ours who's now a song-writer/vocalist with the wildly sensational SNOW. Their newest album cover is probably the artiest of the month. Y'know, we're suddenly reminded that we have so many good friends in the recording biz that it may not pay us to hire any more artists for the batty Bullpen . . . unless they can sing or play a guitar! The only thing buggin' us is — how come the N.Y. Philharmonic haven't sent us THEIR latest release yet? C'mon, Lennie boy — let's get with it, huh?

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ITEM! Have you noticed that our extravagantly exciting X-MEN sagas are back to 20 full pages again? When we saw the powerful, pulsatin' pencil-work of Nefarious NEAL ADAMS — not to mention the incredible inking of Terrific TOMMY PALMER — we figured that it would be a crime to deprive a wildly waiting world of those extra five pages! And didja know that the Nefarious One colors his own pages also? All of a sudden, our merry ménage of mutants is one of the mags that re definitely not to be missed!

ITEM! Rascally ROY's been skipping around with a smile from ear to ear lately. Why? We thought you'd never ask! It seems that Big JOHN B's talented kid brother will be taking over the illustration chores of THE AVENGERS starting next month. Yep, Our Pal SAL BUSCEMA is not only one of the top inkers around, but when you see his pencil work you'll realize why the Bullpen figures we oughtta keep the two Mr. B's under lock and key like for the next hundred years!

ITEM! It looks as though sunny California has been agreeing with the King! Yep, since moving out there, Jolly JACK KIRBY has been working faster than ever and is actually getting ahead of his super-human schedule! This means he may have time to handle still another mag within the next year. So here's your chance to sound off again, faithful one! Which strip is most worthy of the Master's touch? Should we finally launch the INHUMANS? DR. DOOM? KA-ZAR? Or, do you have some other oldie or newie you'd like him to bring to life? Sock it to us, sweetie, and we'll let you know how the mail keeps coming in!

## STAN'S SOAPBOX

Every time one of our sagacious superheroes guest-stars in another mag we get bombarded with the same type of complaints from Marveldom Assembled! "How can Thor be fighting litterbugs with Nick Fury when he's in outer space with Winken, Blinken, and Nod in his own mag?" Or "How can Captain America be trapped by Aunt May in Spidey's mag when he's running a school for teen-age dropouts in his own swingin' stanza?" So, we have two choices. Either we stop crossover guest-starring, or we ask you to permit us a little literary license. If the doings of one of our repertory players in his own mag doesn't seem to jibe with his cameo appearance in some other mag during the same month, let's just say that one story took place a few days before, or after the other, and let it go at that, huh? Anyway, we'll try it for a while and see how it shakes you! (And, if the aforementioned has in any way confused you — welcome to the club!)

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**SHIELD #14:** A day in the life of Nick Fury — but what a day! 'Cause, now the hostile hordes of Hydra have joined Shield on the trail of our hard-hitting fugitive! Thrill follows thrill!

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### MICROCRAFT LAB

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